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Changes in TennCare January 1, 2006

Non-covered services

For **all** TennCare **adults age 21 or older** who still have pharmacy services, these **2 kinds** of medicine will **no longer** be covered:

- 1)** Barbiturates; and
- 2)** Benzodiazepines.

These kinds of drugs are often used to calm you down or help you sleep. Sometimes, they're used to treat seizures. They include drugs like Valium, Xanax and Phenobarbital. If you take these kinds of drugs, talk to your doctor **NOW**. Ask if another kind of drug will work for you.

ALL TennCare members who also have MediCARE (dual eligibles) will begin receiving all of their pharmacy services through a MediCARE drug plan. It's called Medicare Part D. TennCare will **NOT** pay for **any** pharmacy services for adults age 21 or older. **BUT**, for children under age 21, TennCare will pay for prescriptions **ONLY IF**:

- It's a kind of drug that **TennCare covers**.
- **AND**, it's a kind of drug that **MediCARE doesn't cover**.

Services with Limits

ALL TennCare adults age 21 and over will have **LIFETIME** limits on drug or alcohol treatment and detox.

\$30,000 is **ALL** TennCare will pay for **drug or alcohol treatment** in and out of the hospital. The \$30,000 includes the cost of detox. Starting January 1, 2006, **10 days** is **ALL** the **detox** TennCare will pay for. This is true even if all of the \$30,000 for drug or alcohol treatment has not been used.